

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS
HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.
IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
4 MOORE ROAD
CAPE MAY COURT HOUSE, NEW JERSEY**

The meeting convened with Director Thornton presiding and the following members answering roll call:

Freeholders Desiderio, Gabor, Morey and Thornton (4)

Absent: Freeholder Hayes (1)

STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR

“This is a notice read pursuant to the requirements of the “Open Public Meetings Act.” At least 48 hours advance notice of this meeting has been provided by posting of the same in writing on the bulletin boards in the County Administration Building, and the County Clerk’s Office and mailing a copy of the notice to the Cape May County Herald and the Atlantic City Press and filing the same with the County Clerk, all being done on Monday, January 5, 2015.”

MOMENT OF SILENCE

FLAG SALUTE

MINUTES – MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF 12/23/14 REGULAR MEETING
FH Desiderio moved/ FH Gabor seconded

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes				X
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

REPORTS:

- 1) COUNTY ENGINEER: Dale Foster had no report.
- 2) COUNTY COUNSEL: Jim Arsenault has no report.
- 3) COUNTY TREASURER: Francine Springer had no report.
- 4) DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Michael Laffey had no report.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS:

- 1) FREEHOLDER MOREY: Mr. Morey announced the new target date for the launch of the

unmanned aerial vehicle would be January 27-29, 2015 out of TRACEN in Cape May.

He reported the Delaware River and Bay Authority (DRBA) did approve in their capital budget a new building for the airport. The size is around 30,000 square feet near the storage area on the property he stated. That could be completed as early as the third quarter of this year.

2) FREEHOLDER GABOR: Ms. Gabor informed a new suitable location for the Health Dept. Family Planning Division has been found with the assistance and a lease agreement with Cape Regional Enterprises Clinical Services for a facility on Rt. 9 South in Rio Grande. This will enable people in the southern end of the County to access these type of services closer to home she explained.

3) FREEHOLDER DESIDERIO: Mr. Desiderio reported today he attended the graduation ceremony of the 37th Basic Class for police officers to offer them the oath of office. He relayed to the new officers that Cape May County Board of Chosen Freeholders fully supported and backed them as they go out to work each day and return home safely to their families each night.

He announced that at the next caucus meeting held on January 27, 2015 at 3:00 p.m., Ocean City High School students involved with sending a science experiment up in a rocket ship to the International Space Station would be in attendance to be honored and recognized for their work with this endeavor.

Mr. Desiderio reported Chief Joe Beisel of the Cape May County Sheriff's Office and his horse Dodge attended a 2 week mounted police academy class sponsored by the Kentucky Horse Park Mounted Police and the Lexington Kentucky Police Department and received 1st place award overall at the training. They were then invited to attend and participate in the law enforcement memorial services in Washington, D.C. as part of the mounted police unit that participates each year in the national ceremony.

More news out of the Sheriff's Department:

In the Winter 2015 National Police Bloodhound Association Newsletter, the lead trainer Roger Titus has selected and asked Corporal Russell Norcross of the Sheriff's Office to develop and write the lesson plan for each topic addressed and included in the official National Police Bloodhound Association Training Manual. Corporal Norcross was responsible for the first police bloodhound academy class in the State of New Jersey that graduated last year. He currently has 17 bloodhound training teams at a seminar this year in Cape May County. Sheriff Schaffer wanted it announced that the National Police Bloodhound Association Fall 2015 business conference would be held in the Wildwoods this year.

4) FREEHOLDER THORNTON: Director Thornton announced that the Surrogate's Association of the State of New Jersey last week passed a resolution that death certificates for Veterans would be provided for no cost.

He reported that this year \$30 million would be available for the Workforce Investment

Program for Atlantic and Cape May County for job training and re-employment services for the casino closing. Mr. Thornton learned of this through Senator LoBiondo who was told by the Secretary of Labor at the Whitehouse. Cape May County will be entitled to about one third of the money.

Mr. Thornton commended Len Desiderio for a nice service honoring and recognizing the employees of Channel 40 which has now gone off the air.

RESOLUTIONS:

INTRODUCED BY MR. DESIDERIO, SECONDED BY MS. GABOR

- 19-15 Resolution reappointing Conrad Johnson, Jr. as County Fire Marshal.
(This Resolution authorizes the appointment of Conrad Johnson, Jr. as Cape May County Fire Marshal for a term of one year, pursuant to statute.)
- 20-15 Resolution appointing James B. Arsenault, Jr., Esquire as Ethics Liaison Officer for the County of Cape May.
(This Resolution names James. B. Arsenault, Jr., Esquire as the Ethics Liaison Officer for the County.)
- 21-15 Resolution urging the Legislature to enact casino gambling property tax relief legislation.
(This Resolution urges the Legislature to enact casino gambling property tax relief legislation.)
- 22-15 Resolution authorizing the Board to hold a meeting excluding the public on January 13, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible or as practicable. Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, anticipated litigation and personnel matter(s).
(This Resolution authorizes the Board of Chosen Freeholders to conduct a meeting excluding the public at the stated time in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-1, et seq.)
- 23-15 Resolution authorizing professional services agreement with Airpower International, Inc., for provision of laboratory certified Grade "E" air testing services on an as needed basis.
(This Resolution authorizes a professional services agreement (effective from 1/1/15 through 12/31/15) for the provision of service controls, preventative maintenance and air testing for the County of Cape May Department of Public Safety Training, Fire Marshal Office.)
- 24-15 Resolution authorizing on-going public sale of surplus property online through a contracted auction service.
(This Resolution authorizes holding an online auction to dispose of County surplus property from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.)
- 25-15 Resolution authorizing an agreement with Jersey Cape Diagnostic, Training and Opportunity Center for providing recyclable materials pickup service for the

County of Cape May.

(This Resolution authorizes a one (1) year agreement in the estimated amount of \$58,240.00 with Jersey Cape Diagnostic, Training and Opportunity Center, Inc., a non-profit corporation. Term commences January 1, 2015.)

- 26-15 Resolution ratifying amendment #2 to Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant No. JAG 1-5TF-12 County Gang, Gun, Narcotics Task Force Grant.
(This Resolution authorizes a work period extension of 2/28/15 to the FY14 Multi-Jurisdictional Gang, Gun, Narcotics Task Force Grant.)
- 27-15 Resolution appointing certain County employees to their permanent position in their respective offices (Facilities & Services).
(This Resolution is appointing County employees from a New Jersey Civil Service Commission Certification which makes them permanent in their titles.)
- 28-15 Resolution applying to New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Division of Criminal Justice for the Conducted Energy Device (CED) Assistance Program in the total amount of \$63,754.72.
(This Resolution authorizes application to the State for a total amount of \$63,754.72 (Federal Agency \$31,877.36; Forfeited Funds Match \$31,877.36 for the period of 7/1/14 to 6/30/15.)
- 29-15 Resolution authorizing competitive contracting for provision of qualified firms to perform professional construction management services for the construction of the new Cape May County Correctional Center.
(This Resolution authorizes competitive contracting for the provision of qualified firms to perform professional construction management services for the construction of the new Cape May County Correctional Center pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:34-4 et seq.)

Resolutions authorizing the renewal of the identified insurance policies with the identified companies:

- 30-15 Harleysville Insurance Company of New Jersey for flood insurance in the amount of \$1,617.00.
(This Resolution renews a flood insurance policy for the property located at 4800 Central Avenue in Sea Isle City for the term of 01/25/15 through 01/25/16.)
- 31-15 RLI Insurance Company for Public Official Bond for Gary G. Schaffer, Sheriff in the amount of \$500.00.
(This Resolution renews Public Official Bond #RSB4133388 for Gary G. Schaffer, Sheriff for the term 01/01/15 through 01/01/16.)
- 32-15 RLI Insurance Company for Public Official Bond for M. Susan Sheppard, Surrogate in the amount of \$350.00.
(This Resolution renews Bond #LSM0473757 for M. Susan Sheppard, Surrogate for the term 01/01/15 through 01/01/16 which commenced January 1, 2013 and runs continuous until cancelled.)

- 33-15 RLI Insurance Company for Public Official Bond for Francine Springer, County Treasurer in the amount of \$3,500.00.
(This Resolution renews Public Official Bond #LSM0408879 for Francine Springer, CFO for the County of Cape May for the term 01/01/15 through 01/01/16.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes				X
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

INTRODUCED BY MS. GABOR, SECONDED BY MR. MOREY

- 34-15 Resolution granting and amending various Leaves of Absence to County Employees.
(This Resolution authorizes County Employees to be placed on a Leave of Absence in accordance with the County Leave of Absence Policy and the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA).)
- 35-15 Resolution authorizing grant agreement for FY2015 County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Discretionary Funds and Special Project Funding in the amount of \$128,000.00.
(This Resolution authorizes an agreement for the FY2015 CEHA Grant for the period of 7/1/14 to 6/30/15.)
- 36-15 Resolution authorizing transfer agreement with Shore Medical Center for Crest Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.
(This Resolution authorizes an agreement for the transfer of patients between Crest Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and the hospital.)
- 37-15 Resolution authorizing an agreement between Cape May County Board of Social Services and Crest Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for the 2015 Statewide Respite Program.
(This Resolution authorizes an agreement for the provision of respite services in a skillful, competent and satisfactory manner, ensuring the health, safety and dignity of the client.)
- 38-15 Resolution authorizing lease agreement between Cape Regional Health Enterprises Clinical Services and the Cape May County Department of Health Family Planning Division.
(This Resolution authorizes a 1-year lease agreement for the said premises to be used for Family Planning Clinical Services once a week for 4 hour periods as described in Schedule "A".)
- 39-15 Resolution reappointing Alice Washington a member to the Cape May County Board of Social Services.
(This Resolution reappoints Alice Washington a member to the Cape May County Board of Social Services for a term of five (5) years to expire December 31, 2019.)

- 40-15 Resolution authorizing execution of a License Agreement between the County of Cape May and Cape Counseling Services, Inc.
(This Resolution authorizes a License Agreement with Cape Counseling Services, Inc. for continued use of a County vehicle to assist in its performance of its contract with the County to operate the Intensive Supervision Program.)
- 41-15 Resolution awarding contract to L. A. Hair, Inc., to provide professional cosmetology services to residents of Crest Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.
(This Resolution awards a contract to L. A. Hair, Inc., to provide professional cosmetology services to the residents of Crest Haven Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.)
- 42-15 Resolution appointing certain County employees to their permanent position in their respective offices (Health Department).
(This Resolution is appointing County employees from a New Jersey Civil Service Commission Certification which makes them permanent in their titles.)
- 43-15 Resolution authorizing inter-agency agreements between Cape May County Department of Aging and Disability Services and the Cape May County Board of Social Services.
(This Resolution authorizes use of an inter-agency agreement between Cape May County Department of Aging and Disability Services and the Cape May County Board of Social Services.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes				X
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

INTRODUCED BY MR. MOREY, SECONDED BY MS. GABOR

- 44-15 Resolution supplementing the 2015 Salary Resolution and approving appointments and salaries.
(This Resolution authorizes the hiring of new County employees, temporary assignment pay, salary changes or corrections, title changes and promotions of County employees when applicable.)
- 45-15 Resolution to decrease petty cash funds for Cape May County Tourism Department.
(This Resolution authorizes decreasing the petty cash account of the Cape May County Tourism Department from \$1,000.00 to \$200.00.)
- 46-15 Resolution codifying County Non-Discrimination Policies applicable to Fare Free Transportation.

(This Resolution codifies existing County policies applicable to the operation of the Fare Free Transportation Department as a condition of application for and possible receipt of Federal Transit Administration grant funds.)

- 47-15 Resolution designating the Department of Tourism as the single point of contact for advertising/communications for all County Departments.
(This Resolution designates the Department of Tourism as the single point of contact for advertising/communications for all County Departments.)
- 48-15 Resolution authorizing an open-end agreement with Comcast Spotlight, Inc. for various advertising for all Cape May County Departments.
(This Resolution authorizes an agreement with Comcast Spotlight for advertising for a period of one (1) year, effective January 1, 2015.)
- 49-15 Resolution extending contracts to furnish and deliver fresh produce to the Cape May County Zoo.
(This Resolution extends the contract with Seashore Food Distributors and Tony's Produce to March 31, 2015 to furnish and deliver fresh produce to the Cape May County Zoo.)
- 50-15 Resolution authorizing application for Road Opening Permit to South Jersey Gas Company for Dias Creek Road (CR 612) in the Township of Middle.
(This Resolution authorizes South Jersey Gas Company to install a gas main on Dias Creek Road (CR 612) in the Township of Middle. Work will be completed promptly.)
- 51-15 Resolution authorizing application for Road Opening Permit to South Jersey Gas Company for Bayshore Road (CR 603) in the Township of Lower.
(This Resolution authorizes South Jersey Gas Company to install a gas main on Bayshore Road (CR 603) in the Township of Lower. Work will be completed promptly.)
- 52-15 Resolution modifying No Passing Zones along Fishing Creek Road/Academy Road (CR 639) in the Township of Lower.
(This Resolution modifies existing no passing zones on Fishing Creek Road/Academy Road (CR 639) in the Township of Lower.)
- 53-15 Resolution permitting Erma Volunteer Fire Company to solicit contributions at the intersection of Breakwater Road (CR 613) and Seashore Road (CR 626) in the Township of Lower.
(This Resolution permits fire company volunteers to hold 'coin drops' on various dates throughout the summer to obtain public contributions which help offset operational expenses.)
- 54-15 Resolution to rescind petty cash funds for the Cape May County Planning Department.
(This Resolution authorizes the rescinding of the petty cash account of the Cape May County Planning Department.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			

Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes	X			X
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

ADDITIONS:

INTRODUCED BY MR. DESIDERIO, SECONDED BY MS. GABOR

55-15 Resolution ratifying the execution of a High Wheel Vehicle Shared Service Agreement between the Borough of Stone Harbor and the County of Cape May.

(This Resolution authorizes the County to ratify the execution of a High Wheel Vehicle Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Stone Harbor, effective July 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016.)

56-15 Resolution appointing Dennis Roberts to the Pollution Control Financing Authority.

(This Resolution authorizes the appointment of Dennis Roberts to the Pollution Control Financing Authority. Term to expire 02/01/20.)

Freeholders	Ayes	Nayes	Abstain	Absent
Mr. Desiderio	X			
Ms. Gabor	X			
Ms. Hayes				X
Mr. Morey	X			
Mr. Thornton	X			

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Denise Venturini and Tom Marchetti spoke about homeless concerns in the County of Cape May.

Ms. Venturini was seeking a partnership to help service the homeless population with food, blankets and water, etc...

Tom Marchetti spoke about the guidelines and protocol to receiving social services benefits and how it relates to the homeless population. He asked for changes to be made to the system so the homeless can be housed and helped.

ADJOURN: 7:50 P.M. FH Desiderio moved/FH Gabor seconded.

APPROVED

DIRECTOR

ATTEST:

CLERK OF THE BOARD